

2009-02

WATER TRANSFER WORKING GROUP PROJECT DESCRIPTION

APPLICATION NO./COURT CLAIM NO. Adjudication Court Claim No. 00950 A (03025)		
APPLICANT NAME Menastash Water Ditch Association	CONTACT NAME Lisa Pelly, WRC Eric Hartwig, Ecology	TELEPHONE NO. (509) 888-0970 (509) 454-7297
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DATE OF APPLICATION	PRIORITY DATE June 30, 1872
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WATER SOURCE: Manastash Creek	CROP: Pasture
TOTAL INSTANTANEOUS QUANTITY: 27.96 cfs from April 1 - June 30 13.98 cfs from July 1 - October 31	TOTAL ANNUAL QUANTITY: 8442.5 acre-feet per year for irrigation 118.2 acre-feet per year for stock water
INSTANTANEOUS QUANTITY FOR TRUST WATER RIGHT PROGRAM: 2.8 cfs from April 1 – June 30 1.4 cfs from July 1- October 31	TRUST WATER RIGHT ANNUAL QUANTITY: 844.25 acre-feet/year for instream flow
PERIOD OF USE: April 1-October 31 for irrigation Continuous for stock water	
PLACE OF USE: For Trust Water Rights Program: Manastash Creek downstream from point of diversion under the Water Right to the confluence of the Yakima River. Under Water Right: Manastash Creek: Beginning at the intersection of Richards County Road and the Menastash Ditch; thence proceeding in a generally northerly direction along the Menastash Ditch to the northwest corner of the SW ¼ of Section 14, T. 17 N., R. 17 E.W.M., in the county of Kittitas, State of Washington; thence north to the northwest corner of Section 36, T. 18 N., R. 17 E.W.M., said County and State; thence east along the Robinson Canyon County Road to the intersection with the Menastash Ditch; thence in a generally northerly direction along the alignment of said ditch to the intersection with the West Side Canal lying within the NE ¼ of Section 25, T. 18 N., R. 17 E.W.M.; thence in a generally southeasterly direction along the alignment of said West Side Canal to the intersection with the Robinson Canyon County Road; thence westerly along said Robinson Canyon Road to the northeast corner of the NW	PURPOSE OF USE: Instream flow Irrigation and stock water

¼ NE ¼ of section 31, T. 18 N., R. 18 E.W.M.; thence south approximately 1320 feet; thence west to the intersection of the West Side Canal; thence following said canal in a generally southerly direction to a point where it intersects with Weaver County Road; thence west on Weaver County Road to the northwest corner of Section 5, T. 17 N., R. 18 E.W.M; thence along the section line approximately 1000 feet; thence proceeding along a line approximately south 70° west 1500 feet; thence proceeding along a line in a northwesterly direction approximately 1300 feet to the northeast corner of the SE ¼ NW ¼ of Section 6, T. 17 N., R. 18 E. W. M., thence north approximately 2640 feet to the northeast corner of NW ¼ SW ¼ of said Section 6; thence proceeding on a line due west to the intersection of Cove County Road to the intersection with Richards County Road; thence proceeding west on Richards County Road to Hatfield Canyon lateral; thence north along the lateral alignment to the northeast corner of the NE ¼ NW ¼ of section 12, T. 17 N., R. 17 E.W.M.; thence west to the northwest corner of said Section 12, thence south to the Richards County Road; thence west to the point of beginning.

IRRIGATION METHOD:

CONSUMPTIVE USE CALCULATION:

N/A

Ecology's Policy re Annual Consumptive Quantity (POL-1210) is applicable only to water right change applications involving the addition of irrigated lands or new purposes of use to a water right. In this instance, there will be no change to acreage (76 acres) or to purpose of use (irrigation of pasture lands).

NARRATIVE DESCRIPTION OF PROJECT:

A reverse auction for Manastash Creek water right holders was held from January 31 to February 19, 2008. The goal of the auction was to allow willing water right holders to auction a partial or whole water right for a total of 3 cfs for instream flow. All right holders in Manastash Creek with surface water rights confirmed by the Yakima Adjudication Court were invited to submit bids for the auction. The acquired water rights are being placed in the Department of Ecology's (DOE) Trust Water Rights Program, where they will be reserved for instream flow.

Nine bids in total were made, seven were considered by Ecology, and five whole or partial rights were purchased for the Trust Water Rights Program.